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Title: **SUTURE NEEDLES AND METHODS**

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)
TO FILE APPLICATION WITH COLOR DRAWINGS**

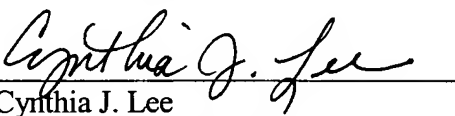
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Sir:

Applicant submits this petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) to file the above-identified patent application with color drawings. Applicant respectfully submits that, due to the nature of the claimed invention which includes color as a feature of the claimed suture needle, a black-and-white line drawing would not adequately portray all of the features of the claimed invention. Hence, Applicant submits the color drawings as the only practical medium by which to disclose the subject matter sought to be patented in the utility application.

The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) of \$130 is submitted herewith, as required under § 1.84(a)(2)(i). Three (3) sets of the color drawings are submitted herewith, along with a black and white photocopy, as required under § 1.84(a)(2)(ii) and (iii). The first paragraph of the Brief Description of the Drawings section of the specification contains the language required by § 1.84(a)(2)(iv).

Respectfully submitted,


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